

**Programs, Projects, and Operations Subcommittees
Meeting Minutes
April 8, 2008**

A meeting of the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District’s Programs, Projects, and Operations Subcommittee was held at the Natural Resources Center, 8901 South 154th Street, Omaha, Nebraska, on April 8, 2008. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson John Conley at 7:58 p.m.

QUORUM CALL: Quorum call was taken. The following subcommittee members were in attendance.

Subcommittee Members Present	Subcommittee Members Absent	Other Directors Present	Others in Attendance
John Conley		Jim Thompson	John Winkler
David Klug		John Swope	Marlin Petermann
Rick Kolowski		Dorothy Lanphier	Dick Sklenar
Rich Tesar		Tim Fowler	Martin Cleveland
Fred Conley		Richard Connealy	Jean Tait
		Richard Patterson	Paul Woodward
			Emmett Egr
			Amanda Grint
			Gerry Bowen
			Terry Schumacher
			Ralph Puls
			Paul Peters, NRD legal counsel
			David Bauer, Carol Larvick – UNL Extension Service
			Dana Devine - Public

- * Excused Absence
- ** Alternate Voting Member

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- **It was moved by Director Fred Conley and seconded by Director Kolowski, that the agenda be adopted.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5 to 0.

Voting Yea: Kolowski, F. Conley, Klug, Tesar, J. Conley
 Voting Nay: None
 Abstaining: None
 Absent: None

PROOF OF PUBLICATION: Public notice of the meeting was posted at all District offices and published in the Omaha World-Herald on April 3, 2008. The Chairperson ordered the Proofs of Publication recorded in the minutes of this meeting.

PROPOSAL TO HOUSE UNL EXTENSION IN DAKOTA COUNTY: Ralph Puls reported that discussions have been held with the Dakota County Extension Service and the County Commissioners about relocating the Extension Service to available space at the NRC office in Dakota City. There has been good cooperation over the years with the Extension Service with programs for the area. Ralph stated that it would be in the District's best interest to have a government agency move into the building. The NRCS had no objection to the possible move. Proposed lease arrangements were explained. Dennis Bauer, UNL Extension Service, stated that a new employee is to be hired that will coordinate with the NRD on programs. Carol Larvick, UNL Extension Service, stated that the County is responsible for providing available space and costs associated with it. There was further discussion.

- **It was moved by Director Fred Conley and seconded by Director Kolowski, that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board that the District offer office space to UNL Extension in the District's Dakota County Service Center at a rental rate of \$20,000 per year in Fiscal Years 2009 and 2010, and at a rental rate of \$10,000 per year in Fiscal Year 2011; and, that the Interlocal Cooperation Act Agreement between the District and Dakota County be amended to limit that County's maximum payment for road design, land rights, demolition and construction at Pigeon Jones Site #15 to \$300,000.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5 to 0.

Voting Yea: Kolowski, Fred Conley, Klug, Tesar, John Conley

Voting Nay: None

Abstaining: None

Excused Absence: None

UPDATE ON ENWRA HELICOPTER ELECTROMAGNETIC (HEM) SURVEY:

An update on the HEM survey was presented by Dana Devine. Color charts revealing the geology of an area southwest of Gretna was presented. Director John Conley indicated he would try to get Metropolitan Utilities District well field information to help correlate with the information acquired by the HEM. Dana Devine indicated that the survey has a high degree of reliability.

FONTENELLE NATURE ASSOCIATION TO COST-SHARE ON WATERSHED

ERSON STUDY: It was explained by Gerry Bowen that the Fontenelle Nature Association. was requesting a \$10,000 grant from the District that would be used towards the cost of a \$159,760 erosion control study for Fontenelle Forest. Severe gully erosion is occurring. The US Army Corps of Engineers will do the study which will take 6 months.

- **It was moved by Director Fred Conley, and seconded by Director Kolowski, that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board that the application from Fontenelle Nature Association for cost sharing for the NET Watershed Stabilization Study be approved in the amount of \$10,000, subject to funding in the FY 2009 Budget and Corps of Engineers' approval of Section 22 funding.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5 to 0.

Voting Yea: Tesar, Kolowski, Fred Conley, Klug, John Conley

Voting Nay: None

Abstaining: None

Excused Absence: None

F.Y. 2009 URBAN COST SHARE PROGRAM APPLICATIONS: Gerry Bowen reviewed all applications received for cost-share assistance for the following District programs;

- Recreation Area Development Program
- Trails Assistance Program
- Urban Drainageway Program
- Urban Conservation Assistance Program

Gerry stated that all applications will be subject to F.Y. 2009 budget process. It is likely that some projects may not be completed in the coming fiscal year.

➤ **It was moved by Director Tesar and seconded by Director Kolowski that the applications of the following entities be approved, subject to funding in the FY 2009 Budget, and that the Board determine that their respective programs will be predominantly for the general benefit of the District with only an incidental special benefit:**

- **RECREATION AREA DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM:** City of South Sioux City for \$15,125, City of Papillion for \$35,793, and the City of Blair for \$50,000 be approved, for a total of \$100,918, subject to funding in the FY 2009 budget.
- **TRAILS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM:** City of LaVista for \$52,367, the City of Bennington for \$41,428, the City South Sioux City for \$16,820, the City of Springfield for \$56,439, the City of Papillion for \$49,896, and the City of Fort Calhoun for \$17,040 be approved, for a total of \$233,990, subject to funding in the FY 2009 budget.
- **URBAN DRAINAGEWAY PROGRAM:** Brookhaven SID for \$499,500, the City of Papillion for \$54,900, the City of Valley for \$38,850, the City of Bellevue for \$54,073, the City of Omaha (Keystone Trail) for \$71,650, the City of Omaha (Cole Creek) for \$851,800, and the City of Omaha (Cambridge Oaks) for \$70,800, for a total of \$1,641,573, subject to funding in the FY 2009 Budget.
- **URBAN CONSERVATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM:** It is recommended that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board that the applications from the City of Papillion for \$22,440, and City of South Sioux City for \$25,000, for a total of \$47,440 be approved, subject to funding in the FY 2009 budget.

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5 to 0.

Voting Yea: Tesar, Fred Conley, Kolowski, John Conley, Klug
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Excused Absence: None

PAPILLION CREEK BANK STABILIZATION PROJECT BIDS: Martin Cleveland reviewed bids received for bank stabilization at several locations in the Papillion Creek watershed. All locations are adjacent to existing flood control levees. The work is necessary to further prevent erosion that may impair the integrity of the levee at each location.

- **It was moved by Director Fred Conley and seconded by Director Kolowski that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board that the General Manager be authorized to execute a contract for rock rip-rap bank stabilization work at six (6) sites on the Papillion Creek System with Midwest Dumpers, Inc., for its total base bid of \$326,150.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5 to 0.

Voting Yea: Fred Conley, Klug, Tesar, John Conley, Kolowski
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Excused Absence: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned by acclamation at 8:55 p.m.